

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 1507**
Tatsuo ITOH et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2006_0786A
Serial No. 10/595,995 : Group Art Unit 2627
Filed May 24, 2006 : Examiner Thuy N. Pardo

A CONFOCAL OPTICAL SYSTEM APERTURE
DETECTOR THAT MEASURES A LIGHT
QUANTITY BALANCE OF LIGHT RECEIVED
TO DETECT A POSITION DISPLACEMENT,
AND A CONFOCAL OPTICAL SYSTEM
APERTURE POSITION CONTROLLER, AN
OPTICAL HEAD AND A POSITION
DETECTING METHOD PERFORMING
THE SAME (As Amended)

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed March 20, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows: